



NOTICE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATION

October 7, 2003

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
TW-A325
445 12 Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket Nos. 03-66, 03-67, 02-68; RM-10586; MM Docket No. 97-217;
RM-9718

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 7, 2003, the undersigned and Dawnita Chandler of the American Council on Education, met with Paul Margie, Legal Advisor for Commissioner Copps, on behalf of the Education Community to discuss a wide range of issues concerning ITFS spectrum pending before the Commission.

The remarks made during this meeting were consistent with the comments of the "Education Community," a group of nineteen national K-12 and higher education organizations, filed in the above-referenced proceedings. With respect to the eligibility requirements to license ITFS spectrum, the Education Community urged that the Commission retain the educational use requirements and explained the ongoing value of ITFS to education at all levels. Additionally, the Education Community stated its opposition to the sale of ITFS spectrum to commercial entities, and similarly opposed the auctioning of ITFS spectrum.

This letter is being filed electronically in each of the above-referenced dockets.

Sincerely,

Leslie Harris
President

cc: Commissioner Copps
Paul Margie